

Legal Services

Town Counsel

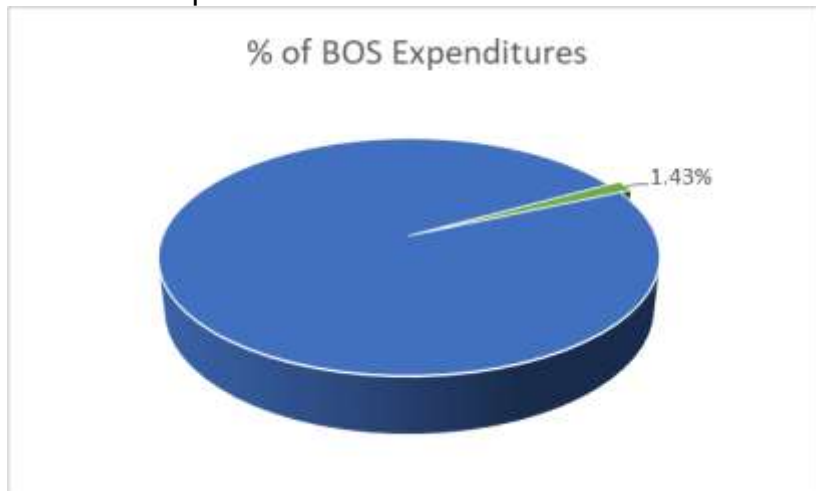
The role of Town Counsel is to provide legal advice and guidance and to litigate on behalf of the Town's interests. The Board of Selectmen appoints the Town Counsel, a member of the Connecticut Bar. The Town is also represented by the other members and associates of his law firm. Town Counsel is paid a retainer that covers basic advice and review of legal documents plus hourly fees for litigation and administrative process.

Labor Counsel

The Town also retains a consultant to assist it on a wide spectrum of employee relation issues, including cases referred or referable to the State Board of Labor Relations, the State Board of Mediation and Arbitration, the American Arbitration Association, the State Workers Compensation Commissioner, other State and Federal regulatory agencies and the courts. Labor Counsel also provides advice and guidance relative to collective bargaining negotiations and represents the Town when conditions of impasse resolution warrant.

Regulatory Counsel

The cost of regulatory counsel is tracked separately from other legal costs. "Regulatory" includes legal services connected with planning and zoning, zoning appeals, environmental protection, architectural review, building control and the health department.



Legal Services

[Click here to explore historical and proposed expenditures for this department](#)

Expenditures	2018-19 Actual	2019-20 Actual	2020-21 Actual	2021-22 Adopted Budget	2021-22 Revised Budget	2022-23 Proposed
Contractual Services	611,563	626,479	615,130	704,000	704,000	731,000
Total	611,563	626,479	615,130	704,000	704,000	731,000
